

## Air Resources Board

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TO:

ALL MANUFACTURERS OF SMALL OFF-ROAD ENGINES

ALL MANUFACTURERS OF SMALL OFF-ROAD ENGINE EQUIPMENT

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

SUBJECT:

Workshop to Provide Guidance to Engine and Equipment Manufacturers

Certifying to New Small Off-Road Engine (SORE) Regulations.

At its September 25, 2003, public hearing, the Air Resources Board (ARB) adopted new evaporative emission regulations and test procedures for spark-ignition small off-road engines at or below 19 kilowatts (kW). The purpose of the regulations and test procedures is to establish evaporative emission standards for small off-road engines, and equipment that use small off-road engines, less than or equal to 19 kW. The Board also approved amendments to the California Exhaust Emission Standards and Test Procedures for 1995 and later Small Off-Road Engines. The amendments include more stringent exhaust emission standards for small off-road engines less than or equal to 19 kW and more closely harmonize ARB procedures with federal small engine test procedures.

The ARB is holding a public workshop to provide guidance to manufacturers certifying their engines and equipment under the new SORE regulations. The regulations can be viewed at <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/sore03/sore03.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/sore03/sore03.htm</a>.

The workshop will be held at the following date and location.

Date:

January 27, 2005

Time:

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Location:

Air Resources Board

Annex IV Auditorium

9530 Telstar Avenue

El Monte, California

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Participants who wish to participate in the workshop by conference phone may contact Joseph Jegede.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodation are requested to contact Ms. Vickie Stoutingburg-Alewine, at (626) 575-6802 or (800) 700-8326 (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf or TDD) by January 20, 2005.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Website: <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov">http://www.arb.ca.gov</a>.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this subject, please contact Mr. Joseph Jegede at (626) 575-6674, or by email at <a href="mailto:jiegede@arb.ca.gov">jiegede@arb.ca.gov</a>. You may also contact Mr. Kumar Muthukumar, Manager, Off-Road Certification/Audit Section, at (626) 575-7040, by email at <a href="mailto:cmuthuku@arb.ca.gov">cmuthuku@arb.ca.gov</a>, or by mail at Air Resources Board, MSOD, 9480 Telstar Avenue, Suite 4, El Monte, CA 91731.

Sincerely,

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